

Public Hearing: September 27, 2004

**F A C T S H E E T**

**TITLE:** Proposed Resolution to increase Water Use Charges

**SPONSOR:** Public Works/Utilities

**OPPONENTS:** Unknown

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** For

**APPLICANT:** Public Works/Utilities

**REASON FOR LEGISLATION:** To establish a new schedule for water use charges to increase revenues for the Lincoln Water System for purposes of covering the costs of the Capital Improvements Program for F. Y. 2004-05 through F. Y. 2009-10 and to allow the issuance of additional revenue bonds for the same purpose.

**D I S C U S S I O N**

The Public Works/Utilities Department recommends that the current schedule of water use charges be increased as follows:

The Lincoln Water System is proposing to implement these increases with the billing cycle commencing November 15, 2004, and ending January 15, 2005.

<u>Current Schedule</u>	<u>New Schedule</u>
<b>Residential Property:</b>	
88¢/HCF for the first 800 C.F. of water per dwelling unit per month	93¢
121¢/HCF for the first 1,500 C.F. of water per dwelling unit per month	128¢
175¢/HCF for all additional water used each month	189¢
<b>Schedule B Customers:</b>	
88¢/HCF for the first 8,000 C.F. of water used each month	93¢
121¢/HCF for all additional water used each month	128¢
<b>Schedule C Customers:</b>	
82.5¢/HCF for water usage less than base to 5% above base	87¢
86.5¢/HCF for water usage 5% - 15% above base	91¢
90.5¢/HCF for water usage 15% - 25% above base	95¢
95.5¢/HCF for water usage for all water usage over 25% above base	100¢

This proposed rate schedule affects the average monthly residential bill by an increase of 83¢.

**FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:** Business Manager of Public Works/Utilities

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